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In re the Application of:

Jung-Wan KO et al.

Serial No. 10/020,945

Confirmation No. 9655

Filed: December 19, 2001

Group Art Unit: 2651

Technology Center 2600

Examiner: Kim-kwok CHU

For: **RECORDING MEDIUM FOR STORING WRITE PROTECTION INFORMATION AND
WRITE PROTECTION METHOD THEREOF**

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The present Preliminary Amendment is being filed concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE), which also requests the Amendment filed July 29, 2003, be entered. The Amendment filed July 29, 2003, includes new claim 15 and additional arguments regarding the allowability of the pending claims. It is respectfully submitted that this Preliminary Amendment, which includes amendments to some of the independent claims, does not change the scope or breadth of the claims, but rather more clearly emphasizes features already inherently present in the claims.

Thus, before further examination of the above-identified application, please enter the present Preliminary Amendment and reconsider the allowability of the pending claims.